

AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MONTGOMERY
COUNTY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 3RD DAY OF APRIL, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE
BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER,
755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	William H. Brown	-Chair
	Mary W. Biggs	-Vice Chair
	Gary D. Creed	-Supervisors
	Annette S. Perkins	
	M. Todd King	
	Christopher A. Tuck	
	Matthew R. Gabriele	
	F. Craig Meadows	-County Administrator
	L. Carol Edmonds	-Deputy County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Angie Hill	-Director of Financial and Management Services
	Ruth Richey	-Public Information Officer
	Judy W. Kiser	-Assistant to the County Administrator

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Advertised Real Estate Tax Rate-89¢ per \$100 of Assessed Value

The Chair called the public hearing to order for the purpose of receiving citizens' comments on the County's advertised real estate tax rate of 89¢ per \$100 assessed value. The Board of Supervisors voted to advertise the current real estate tax rate for FY 2014-2015, therefore, no increase to the real estate tax rate will be considered this year. The Chair explained that, in order for the Board to consider a higher rate for real estate taxes, they would be required to re-advertise and hold another public hearing.

The Chair asked that each speaker come to the podium and state their name and address, and direct their comments to the Chair and the members of the Board, not to the audience or the county staff. Each speaker will be allowed five minutes. He explained that this was the Board's time to listen to the citizens, so members of the Board would not be answering questions during the public hearings. He asked that the audience please refrain from applauding between speakers, and that any written comments be left with the Clerk.

Charlie Bowles-Riner Mr. Bowles addressed the Board about his concerns for the elderly citizens in the county who are having a hard time making it and he hopes that the Board of Supervisors realizes this. It is Mr. Bowles' opinion that the Riner area is getting the short end of the stick. A few years ago there was talk about sidewalks and bike paths, etc., but nothing was ever done, and construction was started on the new schools. Instead of all the talk about spending money on schools, something should be done for all the taxpayers – everybody doesn't have a child in school. In addition to schools, tax money has been spent on courthouses and 911 centers, and he has talked to people who say they are sick of it. He recently talked with someone in the planning department about the Riner Village Plan and he was told that it was going to be done piece-meal. He suggested that the Board use some of the tax revenue to do something for the citizens, not just the schools, not just the Sheriff's Department.

There being no further speakers, the public hearing on the advertised real estate tax rate was closed at 7:10 p.m.

Advertised 2014-2015 Budget - \$174,574,710

The Chair called the public hearing to order for the purpose of receiving citizens' comments with regard to the advertised FY 2014-2015 budget in the amount of \$174,574,710. He explained that the rules for the first public hearing would also apply for this public hearing.

There being no speakers the Chair closed the public hearing on the advertised 2014-2015 proposed budget and declared the meeting adjourned to April 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
William H. Brown, Chair
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
F. Craig Meadows
County Administrator